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In re the Application of: **Toshiro ODA**

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For: **HIGH SILICON STAINLESS STEEL, SPRING MADE THEREOF, AND PROCESS
FOR MANUFACTURING HIGH SILICON STAINLESS STEEL**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the
above-identified patent application as follows: